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大人気同人ゲーム「ひまわり」を完全コミカライズ!!

西園寺グループの社長、西園寺明が現れアリエスが宇宙ステーションで働いていた一員だったことを告げる。アリエスが宇宙へ帰ることになり、別れが近づく陽一は一体どうするのか…!? そして陽一の失われた記憶が蘇る…!! 第1章ここに完結!!

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...—'s body was hot.

It looked like it was on fire, just like those eyes of hers.

By that point, I was unable to understand the words those lips formed,

but what I did know—
was that those lips were inviting me to take them—

#16: Album

What is this feeling...
I wonder what this is...
...Still...
Another... dream...?
It's warm...
and soft...

Munya.
Youichi.
good morning.
WH...
W-W-
W-W...
WAAAAAA!!
THAT WAS A DREAM JUST NOW!!
I CAN HONESTLY SAY THAT I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO H-...
WAIT, CALM DOWN! COOL YOURSELF, YOUICHI!
...Youichi...
Last night was amazing.
!?

Eh...?
No...
Huh...?
No way, did I...

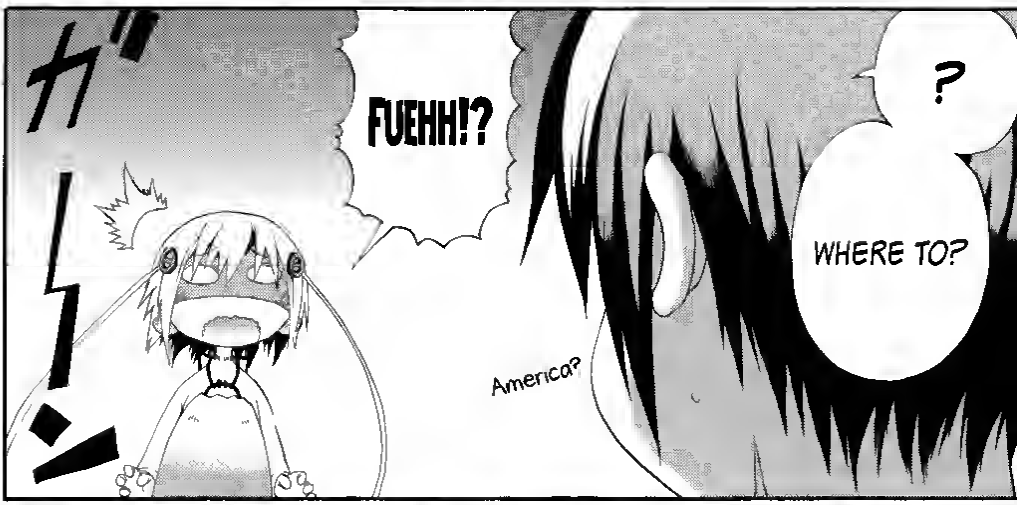
Ehehe.
Just kidding.
I'll go and make breakfast now!!

※The face of a man who's relieved but also slightly angry at the same time.

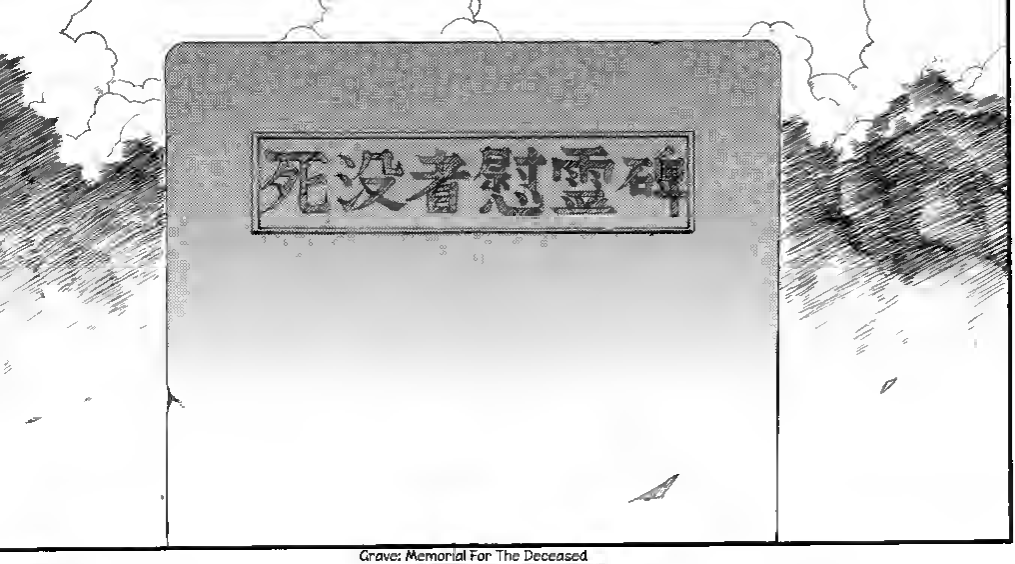
MAN...
I REALLY DIDN'T DO ANYTHING, RIGHT...?
YESTERDAY, WE...
THAT'S RIGHT...
WE TALKED... ABOUT THE STARS...
HAHA...
SO IT WAS JUST THE USUAL ROUTINE AFTER ALL...

That's right...
Nothing's changed.
Our usual lives
will simply start up again...
BUT...
What is this?
Why do I feel like this...

Maybe it's because I saw her tears yesterday...
But it's certainly true that
it feels like something's not quite right...
I'VE FINISHED THE LAUNDRY NOW TOO,
SO LET'S HEAD OUT, YOUICHI!!!

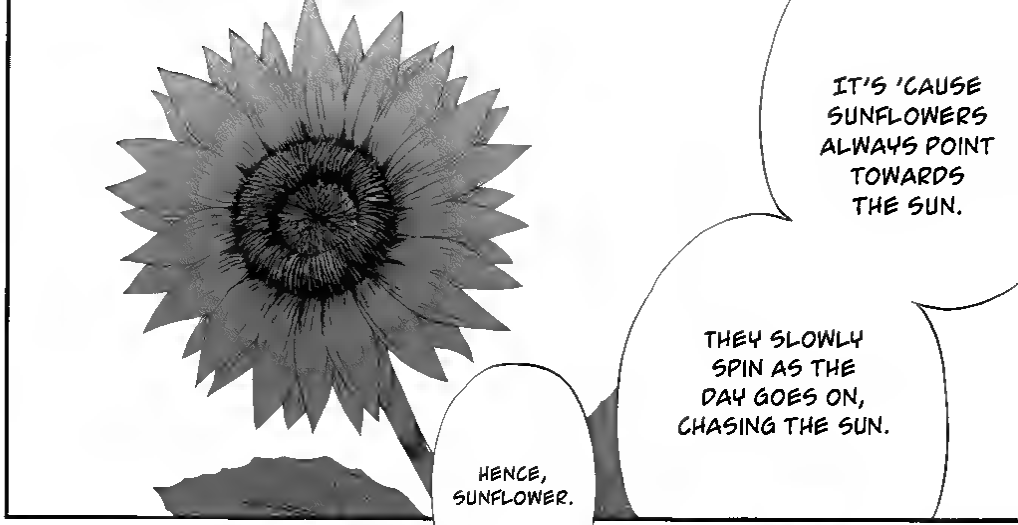

FUEHH!?
?
WHERE TO?
America?

OH YEAH...
WE DID TALK ABOUT THAT YESTERDAY, DIDN'T WE?
AH!!
AHHH...
TO GO PLANT THE SUNFLOWER SEEDSSS~!!



Grave: Memorial For The Deceased

OH YEAH, HEY ARIES.
DO YOU KNOW WHY SUNFLOWERS ARE CALLED SUNFLOWERS?
?
NO.
I DON'T KNOW~
LET'S GET TO WORK, YOUICHI!!
OUR GOAL IS TO PLANT OVER 500!!
MY WAIST HURTS JUST THINKING ABOUT IT...


IT'S 'CAUSE SUNFLOWERS ALWAYS POINT TOWARDS THE SUN.
THEY SLOWLY SPIN AS THE DAY GOES ON, CHASING THE SUN.
HENCE, SUNFLOWER.

Ohhh~?

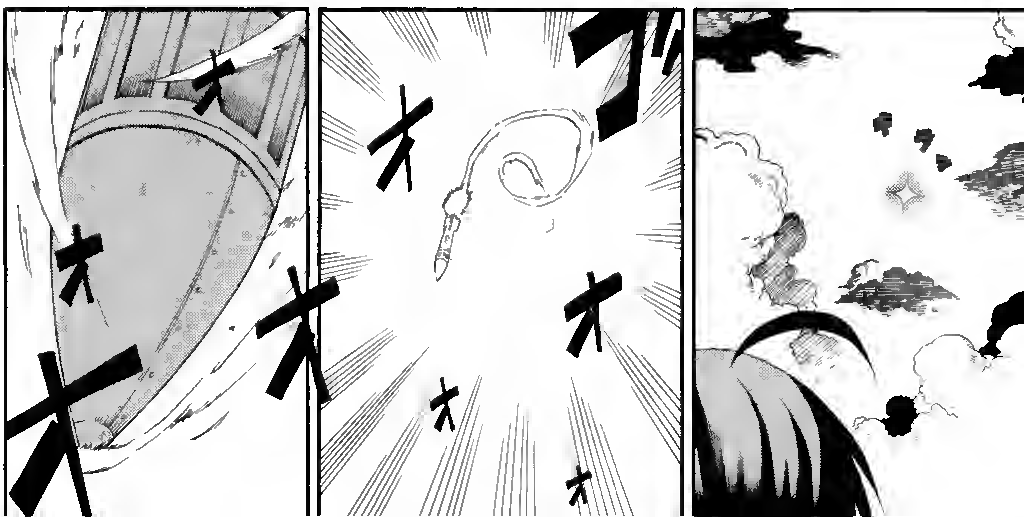
The Moon!!

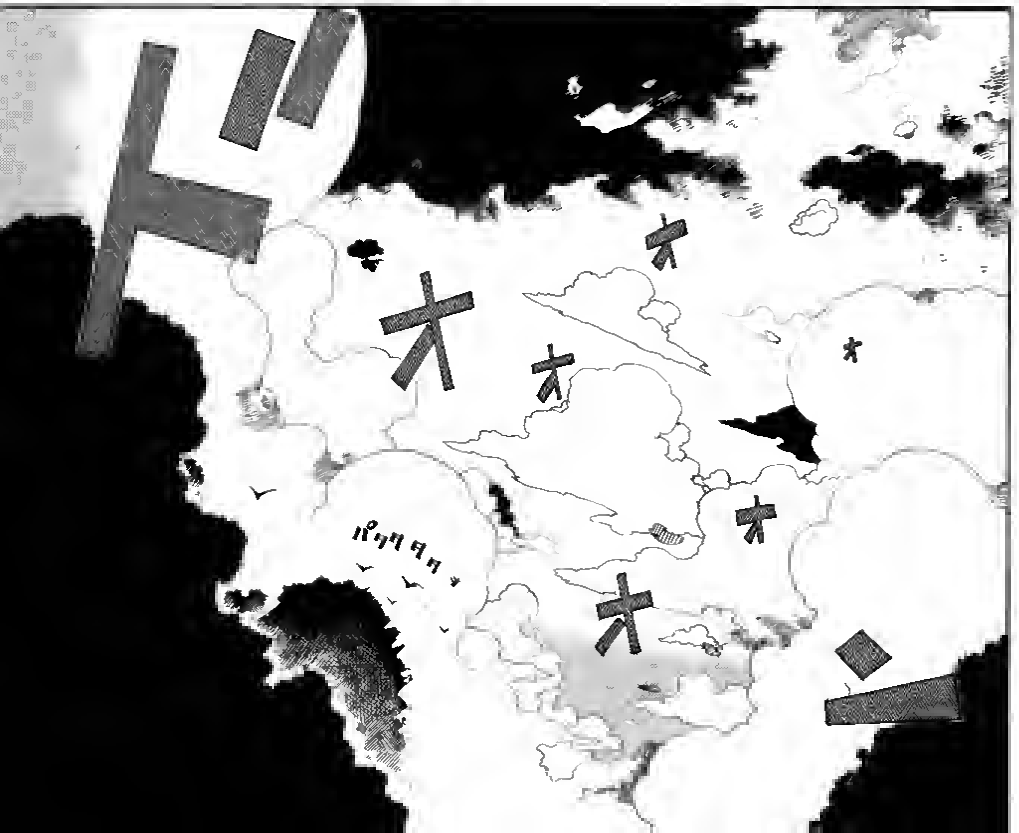
HM? DID I MENTION IT BEFORE?
AH!!

HUH?
I THINK I'VE HEARD THIS BEFORE...

ABOUT HOW THE SIDE OF THE MOON FACING THE EARTH IS ALWAYS THE SAME...
YOU TOLD ME ABOUT IT, YOUICHI.
IS JUST LIKE A SUNFLOWER, ISN'T IT?
THE MOON...
And the sunflowers that always face towards the sun.
The moon that always shows the same side of itself to the Earth
They certainly are the same
probably anyway...
That's true.
Ahh...

Note. Do recall that himawari in Japanese = sunflower

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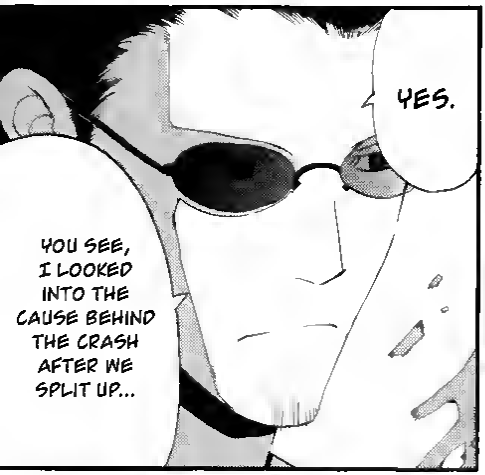
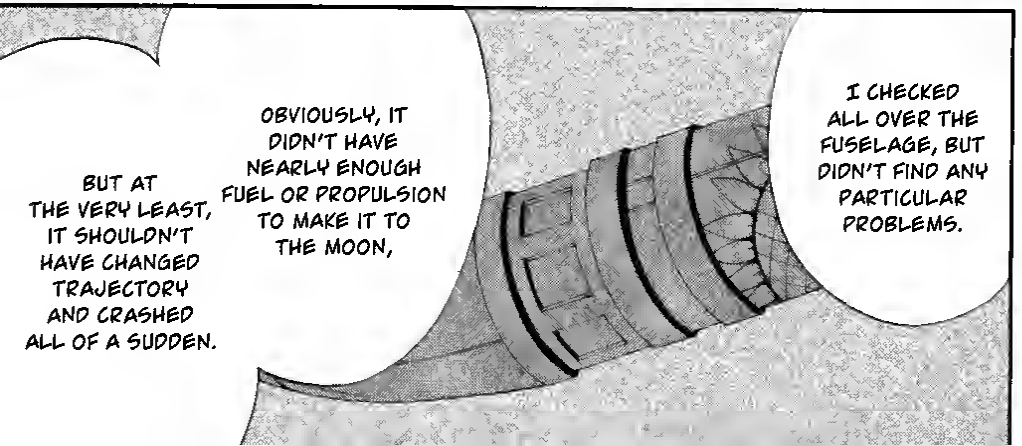
FUEHH
THAT WAS SCARY~...
=COUGH=
ARIES, ARE YOU OKAY!?
WAS IT THE PRES...?
WHY WAS THE HIMAWARI FLYING...?
OH?
IF IT ISN'T HINATA-KUN!
WHAT A COINCIDENCE TO RUN INTO YOU IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!!

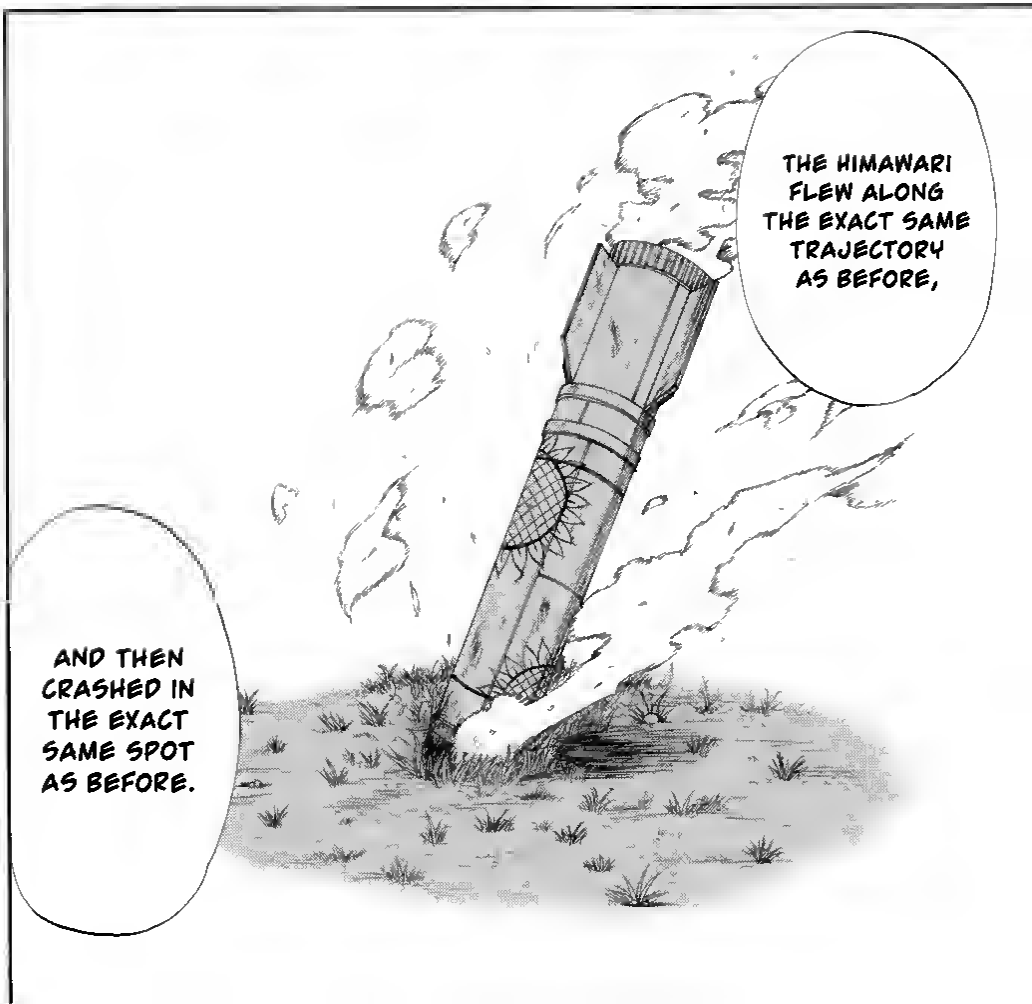
THIS IS NOT WHAT YOU'D CALL A "COINCIDENCE"!!
AND WHY DID YOU LAUNCH THE HIMAWARI ANYWAY!?
YOU ALMOST KILLED US!!
HAH HAH HAH.
YOU KNOW HOW IT IS. I WANTED TO CHECK SOMETHING IS ALL.


YES.
YOU SEE, I LOOKED INTO THE CAUSE BEHIND THE CRASH AFTER WE SPLIT UP...

?
YOU WANTED TO CHECK SOMETHING?

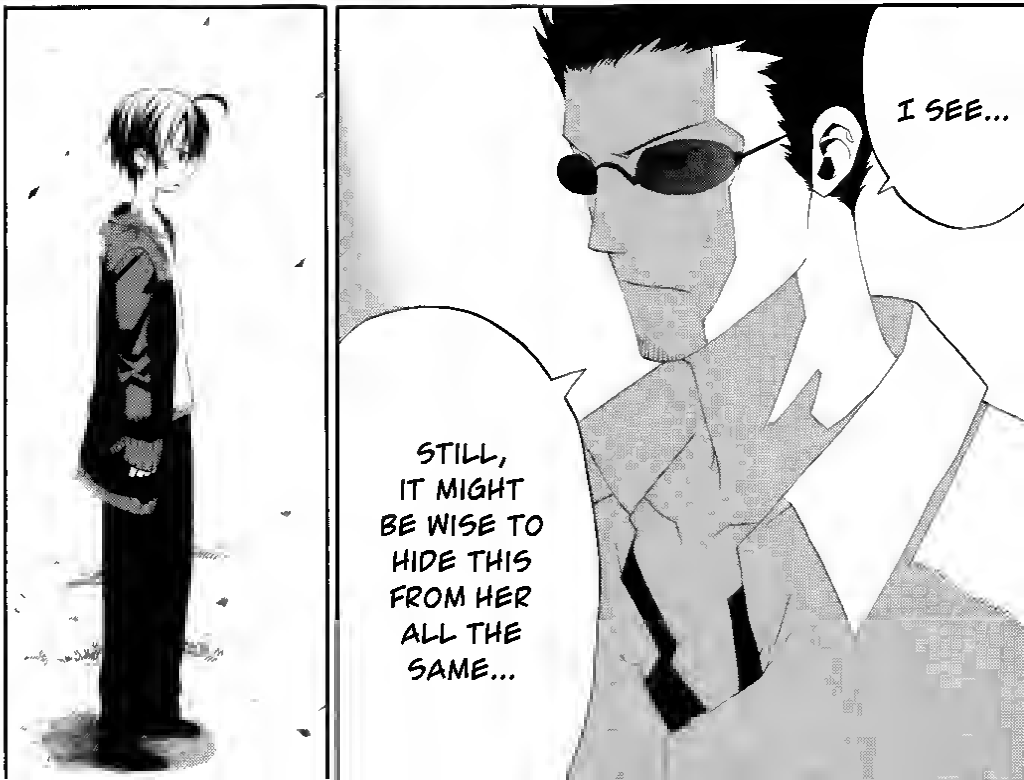

I CHECKED ALL OVER THE FUSELAGE, BUT DIDN'T FIND ANY PARTICULAR PROBLEMS.
OBVIOUSLY, IT DIDN'T HAVE NEARLY ENOUGH FUEL OR PROPULSION TO MAKE IT TO THE MOON,
BUT AT THE VERY LEAST, IT SHOULDN'T HAVE CHANGED TRAJECTORY AND CRASHED ALL OF A SUDDEN.

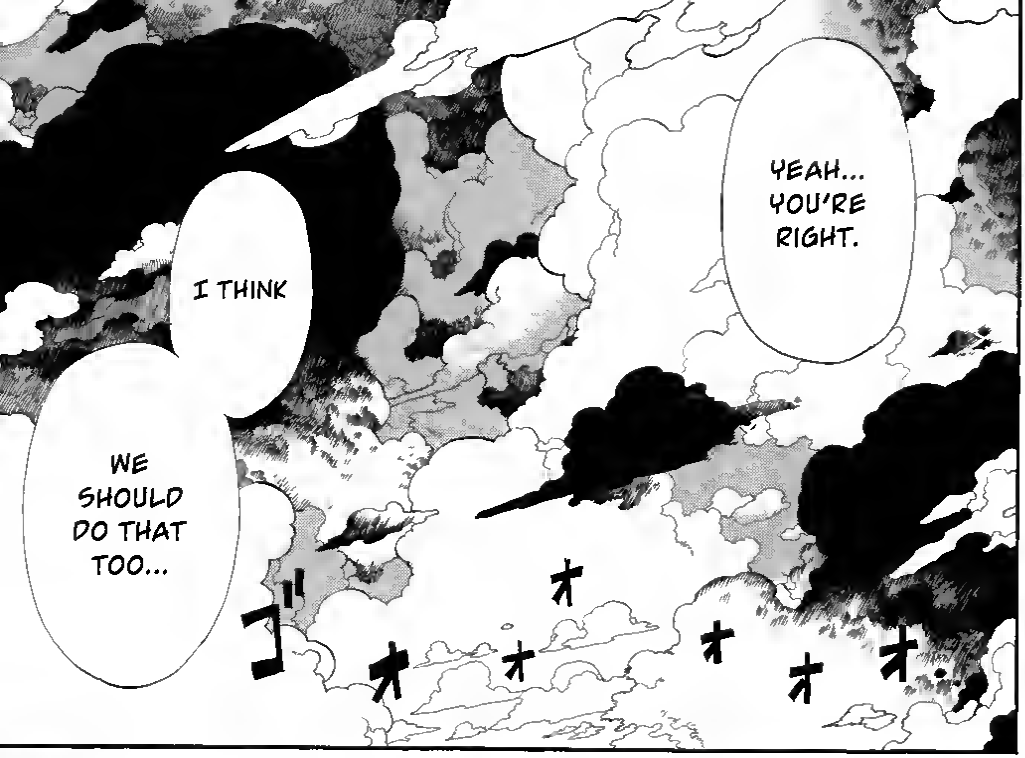
THE RESULT IS AS YOU CAN SEE...
SO I CAME UP WITH A HYPOTHESIS, AND LAUNCHED THE HIMAWARI AGAIN TO TEST IT OUT.


THE HIMAWARI FLEW ALONG THE EXACT SAME TRAJECTORY AS BEFORE,
AND THEN CRASHED IN THE EXACT SAME SPOT AS BEFORE.

WAIT...
YOU CAN'T MEAN...
.....
HOW HAS MS. ARIES BEEN ACTING...
EVER SINCE THAT INCIDENT?
THE PROBLEM LIKELY LIES WITHIN THE PROGRAM MS. ARIES CREATED.
IF THERE'S A BUG IN THE PROGRAM, IT WOULD EXPLAIN WHY IT CRASHED IN THE SAME SPOT.

...Is she?
Is she really the same as usual...?
NO...
I DIDN'T NOTICE ANY CHANGES.
SHE'S THE SAME AS USUAL...


I SEE...
STILL, IT MIGHT BE WISE TO HIDE THIS FROM HER ALL THE SAME...


YEAH... YOU'RE RIGHT.
I THINK
WE SHOULD DO THAT TOO...
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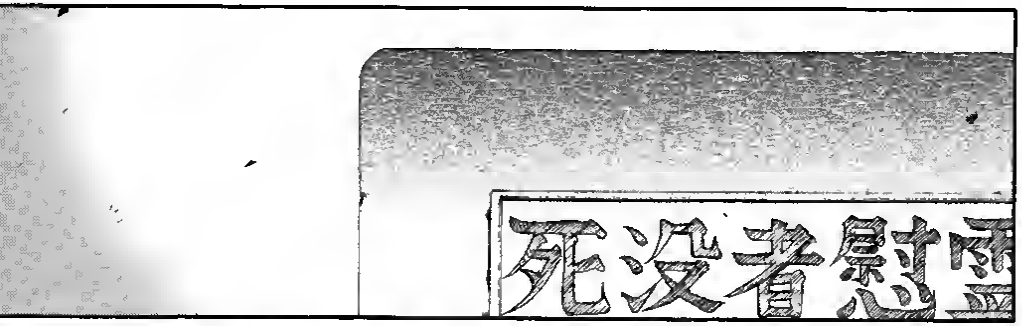
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YEAH.
HE SAID HE WANTED TO DO SOME MORE RESEARCH

...DID GINGA GO HOME?

UM,
DO YOU KNOW WHERE...
THE COMPUTER I USED BEFORE IS?
BY THE WAY, YOUICHI...
HM?
.....
OH, I SEE...
HM?
YOU MEAN THAT LAPTOP...?
IT SHOULD STILL BE IN THE CLUBROOM...

AH...
Rain... huh...
ARIES,
WE SHOULD GO HOME FOR TODAY...

BUT WE STILL HAVE...
A WHOLE BAG OF SUNFLOWER SEEDS WE BOUGHT...
HEY, COME ON NOW...
WE'LL GET SICK IF WE STAY OUT HERE...

IT WON'T TAKE... MUCH LONGER.
YOU CAN WAIT UNDER A TREE FOR ME, YOUICHI.
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?

IF IT WON'T TAKE LONG...
THEN WE MIGHT AS WELL FINISH IT UP QUICK.
BEFORE THE WIND PICKS UP ANY MORE...
YOUICHI...
WHEN WE GET HOME
LET'S HOP IN A WARM BATH RIGHT AWAY, OK...?

I want to take a warm bath too...
Ok...

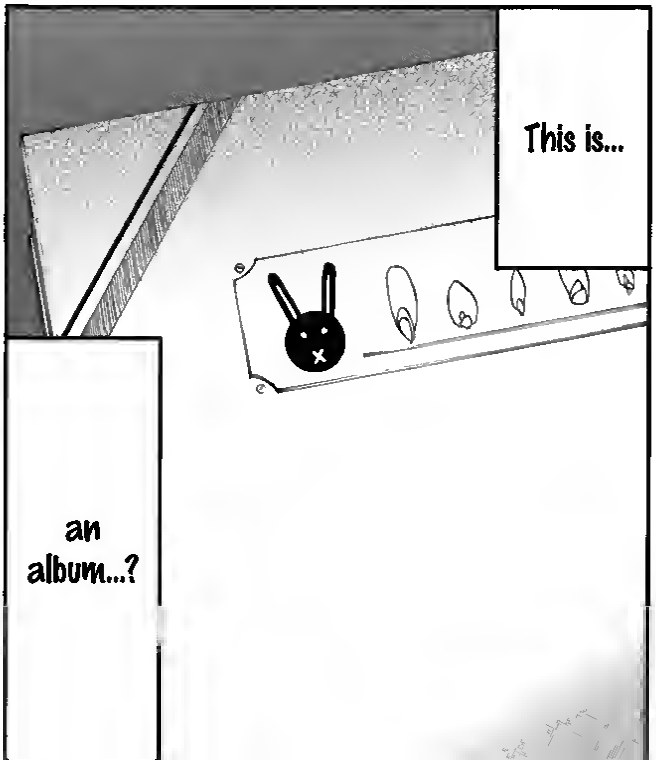
UUU~
I GOT
TOTALLY
SOAKED.
I'LL GET THE
BATH READY
IN A SEC.
YOU GO IN FIRST,
OK ARIES?
OK!!
ACHOO!
DON'T
GET NAKED
OUT HEEERE!!
WAA~!!
ストーン
YAY,
A BATH~
HM!?
ひぇっ
.....
YOUICHI...

UMM...
IS IT OK IF I
SLEEP IN YOUR ROOM TODAY TOO?
UH... NO, IT'S NOT REALLY OK, BUT...
I mean, I am a man and all.
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU...?
YOU'VE BEEN ACTING WEIRD YESTERDAY AND TODAY.
IS THERE SOME REASON...
YOU CAN'T SLEEP IN YOUR OWN ROOM?
.....
-OACH...
IN THERE.

COCKROACH IN THERE!!
THERE'S A BIG...

A COCKROACH IS IT!?
I'M NOT SURE IF I SHOULD BE RELIEVED OR DISAPPOINTED ABOUT THAT...!!
AH WELL, WHATEVER!!
WHAT THE...
THERE WASN'T A SINGLE COCKROACH in here

GUESS I BETTER TAKE A LOOK.
I'LL HAVE TO TAKE THE DRAWERS OUT BEFORE I CAN MOVE IT THOUGH...
IF THERE REALLY WAS ONE, THEN...
THE ONLY OTHER PLACE IT COULD REALLY BE... IS BEHIND THIS DRAWER.


This is...
an album...?

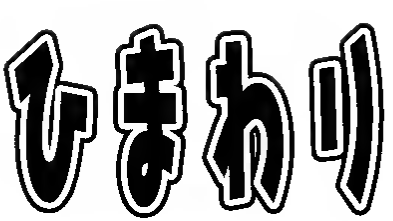
Even if you lose your memories,

things left behind as pictures

have a solid form...

and can last an eternity...

Could it be that
inside this album
are the memories
that I lost...?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